

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, December 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Bert Diehl, with Rick Webb, Dave Jirsa and Ellen Comeau present at Munson Township Hall. Jim O'Neill was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

Dave Jirsa moved and Rick Webb seconded to approve the minutes of November 4, 2024 as written. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 4-0.

Old Business

Disc Golf Course at Nero Nature Preserve

Dave Jirsa will investigate and start up the UDisc app. Mr. Jirsa also mentioned that he had a rough draft of a letter to send to Murfello Landscaping to thank him for the nice job of mowing the park.

Free Library Box

Rick Webb removed the books out of the library box at town hall to prevent damage from the doors that are badly warped and will not close. He left a message at United Way but has not heard back from them yet. Mr. Webb mentioned that he and a friend can build a new box, but the material cost is approximately \$200 or that this may potentially be a good Boy Scout project.

Floating Boardwalk

Trustees Andy Bushman and Nate McDonald along with Fiscal Officer Todd Ray and Board members Bert Diehl and Jim O'Neill met Jeff Atchley of Metalcraft Docks at the site on November 8, 2024. Mr. Ray closed the loop with the Army Corps of Engineers after learning that we will not need special permitting for the boardwalk. The potential project was discussed. Mr. Atchley will revise the quote to reflect the change. Bert Diehl made a motion that was seconded by Dave Jirsa to forward to the Trustees a recommendation to fund up to \$75,000 for a floating boardwalk off Auburn Road entrance to Scenic River Retreat. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 4-0.

Mr. McDonald shared with the Board that he talked with Chagrin River Watershed Partners regarding the floating boardwalk, and they are very interested in helping with the funding since they offer specific grants tailored to connecting trails. Mr. Bushman mentioned that the Foundation for Geauga Parks may also be able to assist with funding with a grant.

Landscape

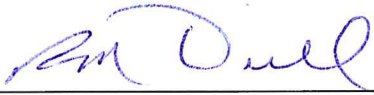
Ellen Comeau is a Master Gardener and inquired about an idea such as adopting a box or a landscaping project. She can reach out to the Geauga County Master Gardeners to see if they would be interested in holding a workshop. Native plants seem to be a hot topic right now. Bert Diehl asked about the triangle at Wilson Mills and Auburn Roads. Mr. Bushman said that the Geauga County Engineers' Office is

looking at the future of that intersection. Nothing will be done with that area until we know what has been decided.

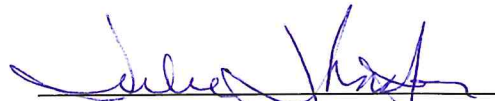
Other

The Boy Scouts are still talking about an addition to the two-car garage behind the baseball fields on Town Hall property. They are currently trying to raise money for the project. They will be able to park their trailer in it once the addition has been completed. Mr. Bushman added that a contractor will be involved since the addition must be built to commercial grade.

Bert Diehl moved and Dave Jirsa seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:58pm. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 4-0. The next meeting will be Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:15 at Munson Township Hall.



Bert Diehl, Chair



Julie Johnston, Secretary

cc: Township Trustees
Fiscal Officer
Road Superintendent